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The Students for a Democratic Society is the socialist-oriented youth group which spearheaded the march on Washington 4-17-65 protesting U. S. policy in Vietnam. The DuBois Clubs is the communist-inspired youth group which has been quite active in demonstrating against the U. S. policy in Vietnam. Noted that in attached communist functionary James Tormey, indicated the hope that the so-called "study-ins" would be extended to include situation in Dominican Republic. We are disseminating to the White House, State, military intelligence agencies and the Department.

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THAT ON THE EVENING OF MAY FIVE NEXT, THERE WILL BE A BIG "TEACH IN" AT THE STUDENT CENTER, NY UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON SQUARE, NYC.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, BSS, NYCPD*, ADVISED THAT ON MAY EIGHT NEXT A DEMONSTRATION PROTESTING UNITED STATES INTERVENTION IN VIET NAM AND DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TO BE HELD AT WASHINGTON SQUARE, NYC, SPONSORED BY SDS (STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY), EXPECT TWO THOUSAND TO ATTEND DEMONSTRATION.

NYO ANTICIPATES COVERAGE THROUGH SOURCES AND AGENT PERSONNEL WHERE APPROPRIATE.

NYC~~PD~~ (Police Department), SECRET SERVICE, AND G-2 ADVISED MAY FOUR INSTANT.

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ReBurad 4/30/65 and SF airtel 5/3/65.

San Francisco Office will be furnished information regarding the existence of SDS chapters, members and activity within the SFO, should such information become available to the NYO.

In the meantime pursuant to Bureau instructions, the SFO should, through informants and established sources at universities and colleges within its division, determine the existence of SDS chapters, some of which may have recently been formed or may have been in existence for a number of years.

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ReBuradiogram, 4/28/65, to all field divisions and Buairtel to AL and all offices, 2/15/65.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of a LHM regarding the "National Guardian" article on civil disobedience May 3, 1965, by SDS and a meeting at Swarthmore College, Penn., on May 9, 1965, regarding the May 15, 1965, "nation wide teach-in" at Washington, D.C.

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Copies of LHM have been disseminated locally to ONI, G-2, OSI and Secret Service in NYC.

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AT SWARTHMORE, PENNSYLVANIA. Should determine the outcome of the May 9 meeting of SDS and other groups at Swarthmore College regarding planned action opposing the war in Viet Nam.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

New York, New York
April 29, 1965

Communist Infiltration of Students
for a Democratic Society
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The "National Guardian" a "progressive newsweekly" newspaper dated May 11 1965, contained an article on pages one and four entitled, "Students Plan New War Protests" in part stated the following:

"In a meeting held in Washington immediately after the march, the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS)--the campus and community peace and rights organization that initiated and executed the massive demonstration with the cooperation of most of the nation's peace and radical campus groups--issued a call for national on-campus protests to the war the week of May 3 to 8. Many other student organizations are expected to join in sponsoring a series of locally initiated demonstrations ranging from teach-ins and rallies to civil disobedience.

"On May 9, SDS and other groups will meet at Swarthmore College to discuss action opposing the war. Planned for May 15 is a 'nation-wide teach-in,' emanating from Washington and brought to a large number of campuses through leased telephone lines and loudspeakers.

"Another outgrowth of the SDS Washington meeting has been the creation of a five-member committee to draw up 'contingency plans' for responding to continued U.S. escalation of the Vietnam conflict. The committee will make suggestions for specific actions by students in 'retaliation' for specific government moves to enlarge the war..."

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for a Democratic Society

"The SDS, however, in a statement a few weeks before the march, announced that the demonstration was in 'total rejection of American foreign policy.' It also went so far as to question the validity of the 'system' governing that policy..."

A characterization of the "National Guardian" is contained in the Appendix attahced hereto.

The SDS Constitution states that it is "an association of young people on the left. It seeks to create an associated community of educational and political concern; one - bringing together liberals and radicals, activists and scholars, students and faculty."

The "Jackson Daily News" a daily newspaper in Jackson, Mississippi, dated April 21, 1965, carried an article which stated SDS would sponsor a massive civil disobedience campaign throughout the United States on May 3 - 8, 1965, to protest the war in Viet Nam. The article quoted Paul Booth, National Director of SDS, as stating that during that week there will be sit-ins, lie-ins, marches and demonstrations with and without permits in some 65 cities.

1. APPENDIX

"NATIONAL GUARDIAN"

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the "National Guardian":

"National Guardian

"1. 'established by the American Labor Party in 1947 as a "progressive" weekly * * *. Although it denies having any affiliation with the Communist Party, it has manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia.' (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, Trial by Treason: The National Committee to Secure Justice for the ROSENBERGS and MORTON SOBELL, August 25, 1956, p. 12.)"

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: April 29, 1965

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

On April 28, 1965, the Director requested that a memorandum concerning captioned organization be immediately prepared for transmittal to Special Assistant to the President Marvin Watson for the information of the President.

The requested memorandum has been prepared which discloses the background of the organization, examples of issues wherein the lines of the organization and the Communist Party are parallel, subversive affiliations of the organizations and two of its principal officers and activities of the organization held in the past and planned for the future.

A copy of the memorandum is attached to this memorandum for ready reference.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached cover letter and memorandum be forwarded to Mr. Watson for the information of the President.

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1 - Mr. Belmont
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

April 29, 1965

STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

The Students for a Democratic Society, a self-described group of "liberals and radicals," was responsible for organizing the Student March on Washington, D. C., on April 17, 1965, and the "Easter Vigil" at the LBJ Ranch, Johnson City, Texas, on April 17 and 18, 1965, protesting United States action in Vietnam.

Background

This organization is the youth affiliate of the League for Industrial Democracy, the successor to the Inter-Collegiate Socialist Society, which was organized in 1905. The stated purpose of the Inter-Collegiate Socialist Society at the time it was formed was to mobilize college professors, students and graduates to teach socialism and collective ownership to college students, teachers, professional men and communities at large throughout the country.

The National Office of the Students for a Democratic Society is located at 119 5th Avenue, New York City, and the organization claims a membership of 1,700 members and 44 chapters. Its constitution describes the organization as "an association of young people on the left." The organization seeks to bring together "liberals and radicals" and "feels the urgency to put forth a radical democratic program."

A bulletin issued by the Students for a Democratic Society describes the purposes of this organization as follows:

> "1) to develop among students a concern for contemporary social, political and economic problems, looking both to immediate remedial programs and to a broader view of an humane social order where such problems would not exist.

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"2) to build a movement of University reform seeking to establish conditions of academic freedom and internal democracy and to make the academic community a creative and penetrating force confronting the political and moral complexities of our time.

"3) to promote educated participation in movements of civil rights, civil liberties, and peace on the campus and the extension of these movements into the adult community, particularly with the view of coalescing such potentially allied interests as labor, farmer, minority group into a unified progressive force in American politics.

"4) to serve as a democratic initiative against those forces of reaction that would respond to international and domestic challenge with military initiative, pseudo-patriotism, and with an anti-labor, anti-welfare defense of outmoded economic and political privilege."
(100-439048-3)

Communist Party Line

The following examples show instances wherein the line followed by the Students for a Democratic Society parallels the line taken by the Communist Party, USA, on the same issues.

Vietnam

On February 7, 1965, Gus Hall, General Secretary of the Communist Party, USA, issued a press release which demanded all attacks on North Vietnam cease, all American troops be withdrawn from Vietnam and an end to the undeclared war being waged in violation of our constitutional rights. (100-3-69-10300)

On March 5, 1965, the Students for a Democratic Society cosponsored a demonstration in front of the Armed Services Recruiting Station, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, protesting United States action in Vietnam. A leaflet distributed at this demonstration demanded an immediate cease fire in Vietnam and a negotiation to end all intervention in Southeast Asia. (105-138315-200)

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Abolition of "HUAC"

A letter dated November 10, 1964, on stationery of the Students for a Democratic Society stated that "this is the time" to abolish the "HUAC" (House Committee on Un-American Activities) and urged that copies of a pamphlet be circulated on campuses and among friends to urge Congressmen to vote against the "HUAC" on January 4, 1965. (100-439048-101, p. 13, 14)

The abolition of the "HUAC" has long been a cherished goal of the Communist Party, USA. The Party has repeatedly called for the abolition of this Committee in its various publications and statements by its leaders. For example, "The Worker," an east coast communist newspaper, in its December 6, 1964, issue, carried a story which stated, "The time has come to make all laws pertaining to democratic rights and social legislation uniform throughout the land. To move in this direction requires the abolition of the HUAC...." (100-439048-51)

Repeal of McCarran Act

On November 22, 1964, Gus Hall was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Boston Jewish People's Forum, a suspected communist front organization in Boston, Massachusetts. After Hall's talk, Ann Timpson, Financial Secretary of the New England District of the Communist Party, USA, spoke and requested that supporters against the "anti-American McCarran Act" be present at hearings scheduled for Boston in the near future against Party leaders under the Internal Security Act of 1950 (McCarran Act). (100-439048-51)

The December 5, 1964, issue of "The Harvard Crimson," an undergraduate daily newspaper published at Cambridge, Massachusetts, contained an article wherein the Students for a Democratic Society urged students to attend the hearings scheduled to be held in Boston in the near future to call attention to the need for the repeal of the McCarran Act. (100-439048-51)

Subversive Affiliations

The Students for a Democratic Society has demonstrated it will render support to or receive support from any organization, subversive or otherwise, which has common goals with the Society. The following information is set forth to show the affiliations of it and two of its principal officers with communist causes.

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

During the period February 14 through 16, 1964, the Communist Party, USA, National Youth Commission held a meeting in New York City. On February 20, 1964, a meeting of the Portland Communist Party Youth Club was held in Portland, Oregon. Among the various reports given was one by James Berland, a member of the Reed College Communist Party Youth Club, on the National Youth Commission meeting which had been held in New York City. Berland stated that a Larry Gordon spoke at the New York City meeting and it was Gordon's opinion the Party could work through the Students for a Democratic Society and achieve the aims of the Party. Berland further stated that, as a result of the National Youth Commission meeting, it was decided that in areas where there were strong local chapters of the Students for a Democratic Society the Party youth would endeavor to work through the Society and in areas where there were no local Society chapters the Party youth would form Marxist discussion groups.

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In January, 1965, two members of the Students for a Democratic Society represented that organization at a membership meeting of the W. E. B. DuBois Club of Chicago which was held in Chicago, Illinois. At this meeting these two individuals stated that they were willing to meet with the DuBois Club people in Chicago to discuss solutions to differences between the two organizations and methods of cooperating on various action projects.

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The W. E. B. DuBois Club of Chicago is an affiliate of the W. E. B. DuBois Clubs of America, a Marxist-oriented youth organization which was formed in June, 1964, as a result of a mandate from the Communist Party, USA.

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Vernon Grizzard

As of February 24, 1965, Vernon Grizzard was the Vice President of the Students for a Democratic Society. Grizzard attended both sessions of an Organizers' Conference held in Chicago, Illinois, on December 28 and 29, 1963, for the purpose of forming a "call" to a founding convention to be held in June, 1964, for the formation of a new national Marxist-oriented youth organization. This Conference was attended by 24 persons, both Communist Party and non-Communist Party members. (100-439048-101, p. 12, 13)

Charles Clark Kissinger, Jr.

As of February 24, 1965, Kissinger was the National Secretary of the Students for a Democratic Society. In 1963 he was a student at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, and he made arrangements for the guest appearance of Herbert Aptheker on a panel forum at the University on March 27, 1963. Herbert Aptheker is a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA. (100-439048-101, p. 13)

Activities

The Students for a Democratic Society has consistently called for withdrawal of United States troops from Vietnam and, since the early part of 1965, has stepped up its campaign of attacking United States policy on Vietnam.

Demonstrations Held

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

On March 5, 1965, the Students for a Democratic Society cosponsored a demonstration in front of the Armed Services Recruiting Station, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, protesting United States action in Vietnam. A leaflet distributed at this demonstration demanded an immediate cease fire in Vietnam and a negotiation to end all intervention in Southeast Asia. (105-138315-200)

On April 4, 1965, the Students for a Democratic Society announced plans to picket a lecture to be delivered by the Honorable McGeorge Bundy, Special Assistant to the President, on April 5, 1965, at Johns Hopkins University. The picketing took place as scheduled with approximately 50 participants carrying signs protesting United States policy in Vietnam. (105-138315-270)

March on Washington

The largest single demonstration held to date protesting United States action in Vietnam was the Student March on Washington, sponsored by the Students for a Democratic Society, which was held on April 17, 1965. The extreme interest which the Communist Party, USA, exhibited in the March was evidenced by front page articles devoted to this event which appeared in "The Worker." In a directive to all Party districts dated March 31, 1965, the Communist Party, USA's, National Office described the March as the "major point of concentration" in the campaign in the withdrawal of United States forces from Vietnam. The Party districts were told that the main task was to get maximum participation in the March. (BTairtel 4/6/65, "CPUSA, International Relations, IS - C," 100-3-81)

An estimated 15,000 individuals participated in this demonstration, including Communist Party members from throughout the Nation. Arnold Johnson, Communist Party, USA, Public Relations Director, and Michael Magarell, National Youth Director of the Communist Party, USA, participated in the March and George Meyers, a member of the Party's National Committee, distributed copies of "The Worker" during the March. In New York City 76 Communist Party members or sympathizers were observed boarding buses and trains destined for the March. (NYairtel & LHM 4/17/65 & NYtels 4/17 & 19/65, re "March on Washington")

At a Communist Party National Committee meeting held April 23 through 25, 1965, Gus Hall reported that the Communist Party and individual communists participated in

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

the March on Washington and described the March as an "unforgettable event." Michael Zagarell stated at this meeting that "we" played a decisive role in the March and Arnold Johnson reported that "our" people were there from all over the country. (NYtels 4/23, 24 & 25/65, re "CPUSA, Organization")

"Vigil" at LBJ Ranch

In conjunction with the Student March on Washington the "Easter Vigil" was organized to be held at the LBJ Ranch in Johnson City, Texas, over the Easter weekend. At a Communist Party meeting in San Antonio, Texas, prior to the vigil, a local Communist Party leader emphasized the importance of this action and urged Communist Party members in attendance to get people to join the vigil. Approximately 45 individuals participated in this vigil which took place on April 17 and 18, 1965. Included among the participants were individuals who have been identified as past or present members of the Communist Party. (SAairtel & LHM 4/5/65 re "Demonstrations," SAairtel and LHM 4/23/65 re "Easter Vigil")

Future Plans

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The original was sent to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, by cover letter dated 4/29/65.

NOTE: See cover memorandum Mr. Baumgardner to Mr. Sullivan, dated 4/29/65, same caption, prepared by CWT:pah. Classified "Confidential" inasmuch as it contains information from confidential informants of continuing value and the unauthorized disclosure of this information could [redacted] compromise these informants and jeopardize the future effectiveness thereof.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI --8--/105-138315/

FROM NEW YORK /100-154786/ ENCODED 2 PAGES

DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING US INTERVENTION IN VIET NAM., INFO CONCERNING.

ON FIVE SEVEN SIXTYFIVE, [redacted] ADVISED THAT THE COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY INDEPENDENT COMMITTEE ON VIET NAM /CUICV\ HELD A RALLY TO PROTEST UNITED STATES INTERVENTION IN VIET NAM, COMMENCING AT TWELVE NOON, AT ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH STREET AND CLAREMONT AVENUE7 NYC. (X)

SOURCE ADVISED THAT DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, THE PARTICIPANTS, APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED TO ONE HUNDRED FIFTY INDIVIDUALS, MOVED TO HEWITT LOUNGE IN FERRIS HALL, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY AND HELD THEIR RALLY UNTIL APPROXIMATELY TWO PM.

AT THIS TIME, THE DEMONSTRATORS MARCHED TO THE ENTRANCE OF LOW LIBRARY ON THE CAMPUS WHERE THEY EFFECTIVELY BARRICADED THE ENTRANCE TO THIS BUILDING TO NAVAL RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS /NROTC/ PERSONNEL WHO DESIRED ADMITTANCE TO SCHEDULED NROTC CEREMONIES.

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DURING THE BARRICADING OF LOW LIBRARY, PUSHING AND SHOVING BROKE OUT AND UNIFORMED OFFICERS OF THE NYCPD ATTEMPTED TO BREAK UP THE BARRICADE WITHOUT SUCCESS. THE BARRICADE OF LOW LIBRARY CEASED SHORTLY THEREAFTER WHEN IT BECAME APPAARENT TO THE DEMONSTRATORS THAT THE NROTC CEREMONIES HAD BEEN EFFECTIVELY CURTAILED.

SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE CUICV IS A FRONT GROUP OF THE STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY /SDS\ AND THAT DAVID GILBERT, A COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY STUDENT AND OFFICER OF CUICV, IS AN SDS MEMBER.

REPRESENTATIVES, BSS, NYCPD, ADVISED NO ARRESTS MADE DURING DEMONSTRATION.

ABOVE DEMONSTRATION OBSERVED BY SAS OF THE NYO UNTIL THE DEMONSTRATORS ENTERED THE COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY CAMPUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Belmont
1 - Mohr

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 5-4-65

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

1 - DeLoach
1 - Sullivan
1 - Baumgardner
1 - Liaison

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING UNITED STATES INTERVENTION IN VIETNAM
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

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Due to the President's interest in protests concerning opposition to the current United States policy in Vietnam, we have prepared a summary of current and planned activity by various groups in this area.

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The high lights of the May Day Rally in New York City are set out including highly critical remarks by prominent Communist Party members.

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Re: DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING UNITED STATES
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We also call attention to the proposed vigil by prominent clergymen of all denominations which is scheduled to take place in Washington, D. C., on 5-11,12-65.

RECOMMENDATION:

That enclosed letters to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President; the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, and the Attorney General be approved.

OK. Shouldn't we include CIA?

Copy of memorandum sent to Adm. Raborn, CIA, by cover letter, 5/6/65.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

May 4, 1965

DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING UNITED STATES INTERVENTION IN VIETNAM

The Communist Party and other organizations are continuing their efforts to force the United States to change its present policy toward Vietnam. There is set forth below a summary of current and planned future activity through which they hope to accomplish this end.

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May Day Rally

On May 1, 1965, the annual communist May Day Rally was held in Union Square, New York City, under the sponsorship of the Greater New York Press Club. The Greater New York Press Club was organized in 1961 for the purpose of raising funds for and increasing the circulation of "The Worker," an east coast communist newspaper. While individuals who are not members of the Communist Party can be members of the Club, the leadership of the Club is limited to Communist Party members. There follows remarks made by key speakers at the Rally concerning the Vietnam and Dominican Republic situations.

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Eric Bert, a member of the National Committee, Communist Party, USA, and managing editor of "The Worker," was chairman of the Rally. In his remarks, Bert stated there are two war spots, Vietnam and the Dominican Republic. He stated there must be a rededication for peace and the working man must not be compelled to pay for the adventures of the "imperialists."

Henry Winston, Vice Chairman, Communist Party, USA, in his remarks called for a demand for peace, stating the President does not respond to the will of the people; the war in Vietnam is a criminal attack on the Vietnamese; the people of the United States are opposed to this war; individuals and organizations are expressing themselves against war to the President who has betrayed the peace mandate; and the people have one demand - withdraw from Vietnam. Winston added that American "imperialists" are responsible for the lost lives in the Dominican Republic.

Mike Stein, Youth Director, New York State Communist Party, stated May Day is more than a working class holiday; the Vietnamese are being poisoned; thousands of Marines were sent to the Dominican Republic; all this bears the trademark of American "imperialism"; and world peace is being threatened. Stein urged those in attendance to send telegrams and letters to the President and Congressmen to deter action in Vietnam.

Students for a Democratic Society

Students for a Democratic Society is a socialist-oriented youth organization which is self-described as a group of "liberals and radicals" which seeks to "put forth a radical democratic program."

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Information has been received that the Students for a Democratic Society will hold a demonstration protesting United States action in Vietnam at the Federal Building in Los Angeles, California, during the week of May 3 through 8, 1965.

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On May 12, 1965, at 9 a.m., there will be a worship, consecration and dedication service at the church followed by a March to the Pentagon where a vigil will be held from 11 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Behre has contacted the General Services Administration concerning the use of Pentagon facilities by the demonstrators. At that time he stated that they will attempt to make an appointment, for a delegation of six to ten people, with Secretary of Defense McNamara to discuss their protests regarding United States policy in Vietnam.

DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING UNITED STATES INTERVENTION IN VIETNAM

A flyer issued by the Inter-Religious Committee on Vietnam, entitled "A Call to Vigil," states that all religiously concerned men and women are summoned to join in this crucial hour in silent vigil at the Pentagon to express the sincere desire of the American people for a peaceful settlement in Vietnam; to express concern at the escalation of the war especially the bombing of North Vietnam; to register the hope that the United States will continually press for a settlement through unconditional discussions involving all concerned parties; and to support and encourage President Johnson in a program of international cooperation for human welfare and economic development in Southeast Asia. Prominent clergymen of all denominations are included among the clergymen issuing this call.

Teach-ins

As set out above, the Students for a Democratic Society have announced a national teach-in to be held on May 15, 1965. The idea of teach-ins began at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, in March, 1965, when the Faculty and Student Committee to End the War in Vietnam, a committee composed of members of the faculty and students at the University of Michigan, held an overnight teach-in at the university during which speakers criticized United States policy. The idea spread to other areas of the United States and since that time teach-ins have been held at various colleges and universities throughout this country.

The Faculty and Student Committee to End the War in Vietnam has continued its activity in protesting United States action and has been described as being actively supported by the Students for a Democratic Society. This Committee originally proposed a national teach-in for May 8, 1965; however, information has now been received that faculty members associated with this group are of the opinion that financial problems concerned with organizing this demonstration and the fact that examinations will be held on various campuses during May will make it impossible to hold a national teach-in on that date. Alternate dates are being considered.

DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING UNITED STATES INTERVENTION IN VIETNAM

A new committee, the Inter-University Committee for a Public Hearing on Vietnam, Ann Arbor, Michigan, has issued a flyer stating that a national teach-in is proposed for May 15, 1965. According to the flyer, one of the purposes of the teach-in is to hold a confrontation between faculty members and Government officials concerning United States policy toward Vietnam. This flyer asks for the recipients' support in organizing such a demonstration.

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May 6, 1965

BY LIAISON

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan
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1 - Mr. Baumgardner
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Vice Admiral William F. Raborn, Jr., USN (Ret.)
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Admiral Raborn:

There is enclosed a memorandum concerning current and planned activity protesting United States policy toward Vietnam in which I thought you might be interested.

Copies of the attached memorandum have been furnished to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President; the Secretary of Defense; the Secretary of State; and the Attorney General and other interested officials of the Department of Justice.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

NOTE:

See cover memorandum Baumgardner to Sullivan, 5/4/65, captioned "Demonstrations Protesting United States Intervention in Vietnam," recommending, and it was approved, that the enclosed memorandum be furnished by cover letters to the individuals listed in the last paragraph of instant communication. The Director noted "OK. Shouldn't we include CIA?" In line with the Director's notation, the above letters is being sent to CIA and we will include CIA in future dissemination of summaries prepared concerning this matter.

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Sources utilized in the preparation of the LHM are as follows:

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Chicago Division has advised all interested agencies of the proposed demonstrations.

Organizations mentioned in the LHM which have not been subversively characterized in the appendix section of the LHM are not characterized because a review of Chicago files fails to reflect sufficient information to prepare such characterizations.

The LHM has been classified confidential inasmuch as the information was received from a confidential source of continuing value and the disclosure to this information might prove prejudicial to the internal security of the country.

The Chicago Division will follow all demonstrations closely and submit appropriate communication for the Bureau's information.

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The above information relating to demonstrations being held in Chicago protesting United States intervention in Viet Nam has been furnished to local law enforcement agencies, interested intelligence agencies, General Services Administration, Chicago, Illinois, United States Secret Service, and the office of the United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois.

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W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA

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A second source has advised that the founding convention for the new youth organization was held from June 19-21, 1964, at 154 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California, at which time the name W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs of America was adopted. Approximately 500 delegates from throughout the United States attended this convention. The aims of this organization, as set forth in the preamble to the constituion, are, "It is our belief that this nation can best solve its problems in an atmosphere of peaceful coexistence, complete disarmament and true freedom for all peoples of the world, and that these solutions will be reached mainly through the united efforts of all democratic elements in our country, composed essentially of the working people allied in the unity of Negroes and other minorities with whites. We further fully recognize that the greatest threat to American democracy comes from the racist and right wing forces in coalition with the most reactionary sections of the economic power structure, using the tool of anti-communism to divide and destroy the unified struggle of the working people. As young people in the forces struggling for democracy, we shall actively strive to defeat these reactionary and neo-fascist elements and to achieve complete freedom and democracy for all Americans, thus enabling each individual to freely choose and build the society he would wish to live in. Through these struggles we feel the American people will realize the viability of the socialist alternatives."

W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA

The constitution further states that this new organization shall be a membership organization open to individuals, or if five or more people so desire, a chapter can be formed which shall in turn be guided by the policies and principles of the parent organization.

The second source has also advised that at the founding convention it was voted that the organization should be temporarily headquartered in San Francisco, California, although no specific physical location was decided upon. This same source advised on June 29, 1964, that the temporary headquarters of this organization is 1007 McAllister Street, San Francisco, which is the headquarters of the W.E.B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco.

Both sources have advised that at the founding convention two officers were elected:

PHILIP CHAPIN DAVIS, President, and
CARL ELLENGER BLOICE, Publications Chairman

A third source has advised that on October 26, 1962, PHILIP DAVIS attended a CP recruiting class held at 1579 Scenic Avenue, Berkeley, California.

A fourth source has advised that CARL BLOICE, reporter for the "People's World" newspaper, was, on April 3, 1964, elected to the newly organized San Francisco County Committee of the CP.

The "People's World" is a West Coast communist newspaper published weekly in San Francisco, California.

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W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS
OF CHICAGO (DCC)

On July 1, 1964, a source advised that on June 30, 1964, a group of young people who had attended the founding convention of the W.E.B. DuBois Clubs of America (DCA) met in Chicago and adopted a statement of purpose and constitution forming the DCC as an affiliate of the National DCA.

Elected as its officers were THEODORE PEARSON, President, and DON WEATHERALL, Vice President, both of whom are members of the Youth Club of the Communist Party (CP) of Illinois.

The DCC does not have a headquarters in Chicago and is currently utilizing the address of its President, 1808 North Cleveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as a temporary headquarters.

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AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION,
formerly known as Afro-American
Heritage Association

A source advised on May 11, 1964, that the African American Heritage Association (AAHA) with headquarters at 306 East 43rd Street, Chicago, Illinois, was known as the Afro-American Heritage Association until February, 1961. It was founded by ISHMAEL FLORY around 1958 and incorporated in the State of Illinois as a non-profit organization. It was founded ostensibly for the purpose of teaching African history and culture to American Negroes. AAHA is strongly influenced by the Communist Party (CP) of Illinois. It is represented by both communist and non-communist members, and some people with strong nationalistic tendencies. This organization reflects CP policy on some issues and opposes CP policy on others; for example, the CP rejects the concept of Afro-American as a reference term to the American Negro and rejects aspects of nationalism, both of which are reflected in the AAHA program. FLORY is a member of the Negro Commission, CP of Illinois, and theoretically under the discipline of the CP. He is the guiding force in AAHA and controls policy and decisions in AAHA.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, Chairman, CP of Illinois, in May, 1964, indicated that AAHA has tremendous potential; that there has been no "red-baiting" in its program or its membership; that the CP should organize a concentrated drive to make AAHA a mass organization and try to build a core so that it could expand its facilities. He proposed a goal of $10,000 combined with a membership drive to begin in the fall of 1964. FLORY concurred with LIGHTFOOT and believed that with the support of the CP, AAHA could play an outstanding role.

A second source advised on May 11, 1964, that in 1962, the south side area of the CP of Illinois worked with FLORY to organize AAHA chapters under the leadership of CP members. The aims of this program included the reactivation of ex-CP members and recruiting of new CP members. The program was shortlived and became defunct in 1963. However, the CP has currently been using AAHA headquarters for CP meetings. Many south side CP members are members of AAHA and are active in AAHA affairs. South side CP groups have been working closely with AAHA, especially on Negro matters.

APPENDIX

YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE-CHICAGO,
Aka. Young Socialist Supporters,
University Young Socialists

A source advised in late November, 1959, that the Young Socialist Alliance-Chicago (YSA-C), formerly known as Young Socialist Supporters, had its origin in a series of informal discussions held in Chicago prior to June, 1959, among individuals who were close to the Socialist Workers Party (SWP).

The YSA-C as of November, 1959, proclaimed itself to be a city-wide revolutionary youth organization designed to build socialism in America and aimed toward youth on college campuses in the Chicago area and as being independent of all adult groupings.

According to a second source in May, 1964, the YSA-C, also known as the University Young Socialists, was considered the youth group of the Chicago Branch SWP and affiliated with the national organization of the YSA in New York. The YSA-C officers as of May, 1964, were current members or sympathizers of the Chicago SWP.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Chicago, Illinois
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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY
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There is enclosed a memorandum concerning the Students for a Democratic Society.

This information is also being furnished to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, and to other interested Government agencies.

You are requested to advise whether information contained in the enclosed memorandum constitutes a violation of the Sedition statutes and whether additional investigation is warranted in this regard.

Upon removal of the classified enclosure, this letter becomes unclassified.

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

The Students for a Democratic Society, a self-described group of "liberals and radicals," was responsible for organizing the Student March on Washington, D. C., on April 17, 1965, and the "Easter Vigil" at the LBJ Ranch, Johnson City, Texas, on April 17 and 18, 1965, protesting United States action in Vietnam.

Background

This organization is the youth affiliate of the League for Industrial Democracy, the successor to the Inter-Collegiate Socialist Society, which was organized in 1905. The stated purpose of the Inter-Collegiate Socialist Society at the time it was formed was to mobilize college professors, students and graduates to teach socialism and collective ownership to college students, teachers, professional men and communities at large throughout the country. (61-524-84)

The National Office of the Students for a Democratic Society is located at 119 5th Avenue, New York City, and the organization claims a membership of 1,700 members and 44 chapters. Its constitution describes the organization as "an association of young people on the left." The organization seeks to bring together "liberals and radicals" and "feels the urgency to put forth a radical democratic program." (100-439048-101)

A bulletin issued by the Students for a Democratic Society describes the purposes of this organization as follows:

"1) to develop among students a concern for contemporary social, political and economic problems, looking both to immediate remedial programs and to a broader view of an humane social order where such problems would not exist.

"2) to build a movement of University reform seeking to establish conditions of academic freedom and internal democracy and to make the academic community a creative and penetrating force confronting the political and moral complexities of our time.

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"3) to promote educated participation in movements of civil rights, civil liberties, and peace on the campus and the extension of these movements into the adult community, particularly with the view of coalescing such potentially allied interests as labor, farmer, minority group into a unified progressive force in American politics.

"4) to serve as a democratic initiative against those forces of reaction that would respond to international and domestic challenge with military initiative, pseudo-patriotism, and with an anti-labor, anti-welfare defense of outmoded economic and political privilege." (100-439048-63)

Communist Party Line

The following examples show instances wherein the line followed by the Students for a Democratic Society parallels the line taken by the Communist Party, USA, on the same issues.

Vietnam

On February 7, 1965, Gus Hall, General Secretary of the Communist Party, USA, issued a press release which demanded all attacks on North Vietnam cease, all American troops be withdrawn from Vietnam and an end to the undeclared war being waged in violation of our constitutional rights. (100-3-69-10300)

On March 5, 1965, the Students for a Democratic Society cosponsored a demonstration in front of the Armed Services Recruiting Station, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, protesting United States action in Vietnam. A leaflet distributed at this demonstration demanded an immediate cease fire in Vietnam and a negotiation to end all intervention in Southeast Asia. (105-138315-200)

Abolition of "HUAC"

A letter dated November 10, 1964, on stationery of the Students for a Democratic Society stated that "this is the time" to abolish the "HUAC" (House Committee on Un-American Activities) and urged that copies of a pamphlet be circulated on campuses and among friends to urge Congressmen to vote against the "HUAC" on January 4, 1965. (100-439048-101, p. 13, 14)

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The abolition of the "HUAC" has long been a cherished goal of the Communist Party, USA. The Party has repeatedly called for the abolition of this Committee in its various publications and statements by its leaders. For example, "The Worker," an east coast communist newspaper, in its December 6, 1964, issue, carried a story which stated, "The time has come to make all laws pertaining to democratic rights and social legislationuuniform throughout the land. To move in this direction requires the abolition of the HUAC...." (100-439048-51)

Repeal of McCarran Act

On November 22, 1964, Gus Hall was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Boston Jewish People's Forum, a suspected communist front organization in Boston, Massachusetts. After Hall's talk, Ann Timpson, Financial Secretary of the New England District of the Communist Party, USA, spoke and requested that supporters against the "anti-American McCarran Act" be present at hearings scheduled for Boston in the near future against Party leaders under the Internal Security Act of 1950 (McCarran Act). (100-439048-51)

The December 5, 1964, issue of "The Harvard Crimson," an undergraduate daily newspaper published at Cambridge, Massachusetts, contained an article wherein the Students for a Democratic Society urged students to attend the hearings scheduled to be held in Boston in the near future to call attention to the need for the repeal of the McCarran Act. (100-439048-51)

Subversive Affiliations

The Students for a Democratic Society has demonstrated it will render support to or receive support from any organization, subversive or otherwise, which has common goals with the Society. The following information is set forth to show the affiliations of it and two of its principal officers with communist causes.

During the period February 14 through 16, 1964, the Communist Party, USA, National Youth Commission held a meeting in New York City. On February 20, 1964, a meeting of the Portland Communist Party Youth Club was held in Portland, Oregon. Among the various reports given was one by James Berland, a member of the Reed College Communist Party Youth Club, on the National Youth Commission meeting which had been

held in New York City. Berland stated that a Larry Gordon spoke at the New York City meeting and it was Gordon's opinion the Party could work through the Students for a Democratic Society and achieve the aims of the Party. Berland further stated that, as a result of the National Youth Commission meeting, it was decided that in areas where there were strong local chapters of the Students for a Democratic Society the Party youth would endeavor to work through the Society and in areas where there were no local Society chapters the Party youth would form Marxist discussion groups. (100-3-76-1750)

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The W. E. B. DuBois Club of Chicago is an affiliate of the W. E. B. DuBois Clubs of America, a Marxist-oriented youth organization which was formed in June, 1964, as a result of a mandate from the Communist Party, USA.

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

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National Officers

The following individuals are identified as National Officers of the Students for a Democratic Society on the letterhead stationery of this organization:

President	Paul Potter
Vice President	Vernon Grizzard
National Secretary	C. Clark Kissinger
Director, Economic Research and Action Project	Rennie Davis
Director, Peace Research and Education Project	Paul Booth

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Charles Clark Kissinger, Jr.

As of February 24, 1965, Kissinger was the National Secretary of the Students for a Democratic Society. In 1963 he was a student at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, and he made arrangements for the guest appearance of Herbert Aptheker on a panel forum at the University on March 27, 1963. Herbert Aptheker is a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA. (100-439048-101, p. 13)

Activities

The Students for a Democratic Society has consistently called for withdrawal of United States troops from Vietnam and since the early part of 1965, has stepped up its campaign of attacking United States policy on Vietnam.

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Demonstrations Held

On February 20, 1965, the Students for a Democratic Society cosponsored and participated in demonstrations in Chicago, Illinois, and at the White House in Washington, D. C., protesting the war in Vietnam. (105-138315-99) and 105-138315-84)

On March 5, 1965, the Students for a Democratic Society cosponsored a demonstration in front of the Armed Services Recruiting Station, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, protesting United States action in Vietnam. A leaflet distributed at this demonstration demanded an immediate cease fire in Vietnam and a negotiation to end all intervention in Southeast Asia. (105-138315-92(

On April 4, 1965, the Students for a Democratic Society announced plans to picket a lecture to be delivered by the Honorable McGeorge Bundy, Special Assistant to the President, on April 5, 1965, at Johns Hopkins University. The picketing took place as scheduled with approximately 50 participants carrying signs protesting United States policy in Vietnam. (105-138315-270)

March on Washington

The largest single demonstration held to date protesting United States action in Vietnam was the Student March on Washington, sponsored by the Students for a Democratic Society, which was held on April 17, 1965. The extreme interest which the Communist Party, USA, exhibited in the March was evidenced by front page articles devoted to this event which appeared in "The Worker." In a directive to all Party districts dated March 31, 1965, the Communist Party, USA's, National Office described the March as the "major point of concentration" in the campaign in the withdrawal of United States forces from Vietnam. The Party districts were told that the main task was to get maximum participation in the March. (BTairtel 4/6/65, "CPUSA, International Relations, IS - C," 100-3-81)

An estimated 15,000 individuals participated in this demonstration, including Communist Party members from throughout the Nation. Arnold Johnson, Communist Party, USA, Public Relations Director, and Michael Zagarell, National Youth Director of the Communist Party, USA, participated in the March and George Meyers, a member of the Party's National Committee, distributed copies of "The Worker" during the March. In New York City 78 Communist Party members or sympathizers were observed boarding buses and trains destined for the March. (WFOairtel & LHM 4/17/65 & NYtels 4/17 & 19/65, re "March on Washington")

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At a Communist Party National Committee meeting held April 23, through 25, 1965, Gus Hall reported that the Communist Party and individual communists participated in the March on Washington and described the March as an "unforgettable event." Michael Zagarell stated at this meeting that "we" played a decisive role in the March and Arnold Johnson reported that "our" people were there from all over the country.

"Vigil" at LBJ Ranch

In conjunction with the Student March on Washington, the "Easter Vigil" was organized to be held at the LBJ Ranch in Johnson City, Texas, over the Easter weekend. At a Communist Party meeting in San Antonio, Texas, prior to the vigil, a local Communist Party leader emphasized the importance of this action and urged Communist Party members in attendance to get people to join the vigil. Approximately 45 individuals participated in this vigil which took place on April 17, and 18, 1965. Included among the participants were individuals who have been identified as past or present members of the Communist Party.

NOTE:

See memorandum Baumgardner to Sullivan dated 5/14/65, captioned "Senate Internal Security Subcommittee Hearings Regarding Student Groups," prepared by CWT:pdb.

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Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

There is enclosed a memorandum concerning the Students for a Democratic Society which is being furnished to you as a matter of possible interest to the President.

This information is also being furnished to the Attorney General, other interested officials of the Department of Justice and to other interested Government agencies.

Upon removal of the classified enclosure, this letter becomes unclassified.

Sincerely yours,

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

A source who has furnished reliable information [redacted] in the past has advised of the following information concerning a recent meeting of the chapter of the Students for a Democratic Society at the State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York.

The chairman of the local chapter announced that there is within the Political Education Project (a division of the Students for a Democratic Society) a special and secret group referred to as the "Crisis Committee." The purpose of this "Crisis Committee" is to act on behalf of the Political Education Project and the Students for a Democratic Society in the event of a crisis of a national or international scale and organize resistance to the forces of the United States Government. Members of the "Crisis Committee" would be called upon to block roads leading to missile bases, persuade troops at military installations to desert or lay down their arms, or in the event of another Cuban Crisis travel to Florida to blockade embarkation points. They would be asked to place themselves in the line of fire in the event of a confrontation with the military in this country. Members of the local chapter were urged to join the "Crisis Committee" but were cautioned that no mention of it should be made to anyone, including parents, relatives, friends, publicity media or the authorities.

The Students for a Democratic Society is a socialist-oriented youth organization which is self-described as a group of "liberals and radicals" which seeks to put forth a "radical democratic program."

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Original delivered to Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, with Xerox copies to the Attorney General, Assistant Attorney General Yeagley, Assistant Attorney General John Doar and the Deputy Attorney General.

NOTE: Classified "Confidential" inasmuch as it contains information from a confidential informant of continuing value and the unauthorized disclosure of this information could compromise the informant and jeopardize the future effectiveness thereof.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Belmont
1 - Mohr

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 5-18-65

1 - DeLoach
1 - Sullivan
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1 - Baumgardner

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF
THE STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

[redacted]

We are presently conducting an investigation of this organization which is a self-described group of "liberals and radicals" to determine the extent to which the organization has been infiltrated by communists and other subversive elements. Instructions were recently sent to the field directing that informants be developed in this organization.

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past attended a recent meeting of a local chapter of the Students for a Democratic Society in Buffalo, New York, at which the local chairman announced the formation of a "Crisis Committee," the purpose of which would be to organize resistance to the forces of the United States Government in the event of a crisis of a national or international scale. Members of the "Crisis Committee" would be called upon to block roads leading to missile bases, persuade troops at military installations to desert or lay down their arms, or in the event of another Cuban Crisis travel to Florida to blockade embarkation points. They would also be asked to place themselves in the line of fire in the event of a confrontation with the military in this country. Volunteers were solicited for a "Crisis Committee" to be formed within the local chapter of the Students for a Democratic Society.

In view of the obvious threat to the internal security of the nation posed by the existence of such a committee, the field is being alerted and instructed to immediately determine whether "Crisis Committees" have been formed in existing chapters of the Students for a Democratic Society within each field division. The field is also being instructed to conduct necessary investigation to identify individual members of these committees and to recommend such individuals for inclusion on the Security Index where appropriate.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
Re: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF
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100-439048

This information is being furnished to the White House and the Attorney General and the Department is being requested to advise whether the information developed constitutes a violation of the Sedition statutes. Dissemination will also be made to Secret Service and the military intelligence agencies by separate communication.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that:

(1) Attached letters to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, and to the Attorney General be approved which transmit a memorandum containing the information concerning the formation of a "Crisis Committee" in a local chapter of the Students for a Democratic Society in Buffalo, New York.

(2) Attached yellow of an airtel to all offices (original on plastiplate) be approved instructing the field to determine whether "Crisis Committees" have been formed in any chapters of the Students for a Democratic Society existing in each division and to identify all individual members of such committees and submit recommendations for inclusion on the Security Index where appropriate. Upon approval this should be returned to Supervisor [redacted] BXC Room 810, Riddell Building, to have necessary copies prepared for transmittal to the field.

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Airtel

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To: SAC, Albany

From: Director, FBI

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY
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A source who has furnished reliable information in the past has reported that at a recent meeting of a local chapter of the Students for a Democratic Society the chairman of the chapter advised that within the Political Education Project of the Students for a Democratic Society there exists a "Crisis Committee," the purpose of which is to organize resistance to the forces of the United States Government in the event of a crisis of a national or international scale. Members of the "Crisis Committee" would be called upon to block roads leading to missile bases, persuade troops at military installations to desert or lay down their arms or in the event of another Cuban Crisis travel to Florida to blockade embarkation points. They would be asked to place themselves in the line of fire in the event of a confrontation with the military in this country. Volunteers were solicited for a "Crisis Committee" to be formed within the local chapter.

All offices should immediately conduct necessary investigation to determine whether "Crisis Committees" have been formed within any local chapters of the Students for a Democratic Society existing in each division. The identity of all individual members of these "Crisis Committees" should be determined and a separate case opened on each individual identified as a member. Conduct complete background investigation and submit recommendations for inclusion on the Security Index where appropriate. All information developed concerning "Crisis Committees" and the individual members thereof should be disseminated locally to Secret Service and the military intelligence agencies and should be promptly furnished to the Bureau in form suitable for dissemination.

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To All Offices

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Airtel to SAC, Albany
Re: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
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NOTE:

See cover memorandum F. J. Baumgardner to W. C. Sullivan, dated 5-18-65, captioned "Communist Infiltration of the Students for a Democratic Society, IS - C," prepared by CWT:pdb.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Belmont
1 - Mohr

TO: W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 5-14-65

1 - DeLoach
1 - Sullivan
1 - Baumgardner

FROM: F. J. Baumgardner

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SUBJECT: SENATE INTERNAL SECURITY
SUBCOMMITTEE HEARINGS REGARDING STUDENT GROUPS
AND THE W. E. B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA

Memorandum DeLoach to Mohr dated 5-11-65 set forth a request of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee for information which would be of assistance to the Committee in conducting hearings hoping to pinpoint the attempts of the Communist Party and student groups to embarrass United States Government policies concerning Vietnam.

Mr. DeLoach is handling the Committee's request for statements by the Director regarding the W. E. B. DuBois Clubs of America as noted in the "Action" of referenced memorandum.

In line with the Committee's request the following [illegible] Mr. DeLoach to pass on to Senators Ja[illegible] Sti[illegible] and Thurmond:

A memorandum setting forth a list of the most important Communist Party directives and statements which have appeared in "The Worker" regarding the Party's policy concerning [illegible] Copy each of the items listed are attached to the [illegible] for the Committee's information.

(2) A memorandum concerning the W. E. B. DuBois Clubs of America and its principal officers and a memorandum concerning Students for a Democratic Society. These are the groups which have been the most active and vocal in demonstrations protesting United States action in Vietnam.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
SENATE INTERNAL SECURITY SUBCOMMITTEE
HEARINGS REGARDING STUDENT GROUPS
AND THE W. E. B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA

(1) A memorandum setting forth background c[illegible] concerning the Progressive Labor Party and separate me[illegible] on each of the principal leaders of this organization.

In addition to the above, Mr. DeLoach should [illegible] Senators Eastland and Dodd that the Bureau does not ha[illegible] possible informants or witnesses who would be able to [illegible] the hearing generally or to any of the information [illegible] the attached material. They should also be informed that [illegible] is preparing to file a petition before the [illegible] Control Board to require the W. E. B. Du Bo[illegible] to register as a communist front pursuant to [illegible] of the Internal Security Act of 1950.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be [illegible] DeLoach for handling with Senators Eastland and [illegible] and furnish these Senators with the attached material.

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To: SACs, New York (100-148047)
Boston (100-35472)
Chicago (100-40903)
Detroit (100-17133)
San Francisco (100-52152)

From: Director, FBI (100-439048)

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF STUDENTS
FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY
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ReNYairtel 5/18/65.

Referenced airtel indicates that Chicago is being considered office of origin in this investigation in view of the information set forth in the letterhead memorandum enclosed with referenced airtel which discloses that the National Office of the Students for a Democratic Society has moved to Chicago.

The New York Office will remain office of origin in this case pending verification of the relocation of the National Office by Chicago. Upon verification of this information, New York should prepare a current report and forward all pertinent serials to Chicago, at which time Chicago will be designated office of origin.

Chicago should immediately conduct the necessary investigation to verify the relocation of the National Office of the Students for a Democratic Society in Chicago, and promptly advise the Bureau and New York.

San Francisco and Boston promptly advise the Bureau of any information developed indicating that regional offices of the Students for a Democratic Society are being opened in these locations.

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Airtel to New York
RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF STUDENTS
OF A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY
100-439048

NOTE:

New York Office advised by referenced airtel that a letter recently sent out by the Students for a Democratic Society indicated that its National Office had moved from New York to Chicago. Referenced airtel indicated in view of this information Chicago was being considered office of origin in this investigation. Referenced airtel also indicated that the Students for a Democratic Society plan to open regional offices in San Francisco and Boston in the near future. In view of the fact that Chicago has not verified this information, New York is being instructed to remain office of origin pending verification of the relocation by Chicago.

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Date: 5/20/65

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-439048)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-40903)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL STUDENTS FOR
A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY (SDS)
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OO: NEW YORK

Re New York airtel, dated 5/14/65.

[redacted] advise [redacted] on 5/17/65 that KISSINGER told him SDS Headquarters would be moved from NYC to 1103 East 63rd Street, Chicago, on or about 5/20/65.

The "Information Operator", Illinois Bell Telephone Company, advised today that telephone number 667-6050 has been issued to the SDS at 1103 East 63rd Street.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-138315)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-41654)

SUBJECT: VIDEM

Remyairtel dated 5/7/65, and teletype dated 5/18/65, captioned as above.

There are enclosed herewith 21 copies of a letterhead memorandum for the Bureau concerning a meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee to End War in Viet Nam held 5/17/65, at which various plans were discussed concerning formation of a permanent peace coordinating committee.

The sources utilized in the preparation of this letterhead memorandum are as follows:

14 - Bureau (Encs. 21) (RM)
(1 - 100-) (AD HOC COMMITTEE TO END WAR IN VIET NAM)
(1 - 100-) (AD HOC CHICAGO COMMITTEE FOR ACTION TO END WAR IN VIET NAM)
(1 - 100-11392) (AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE)
(1 - 100-439048) (STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY)
(1 - 100-439141) (VOTERS FOR PEACE)
(1 - 62-107350) (WOMEN FOR PEACE)
(1 - 100-) (FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION)
(1 - 61-1538) (WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM)
(1 - 100-441164) (W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA)
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Anonymous Source

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The Chicago Division has advised all interested agencies of proposed demonstrations.

Organizations mentioned in the letterhead memorandum which have not been subversively characterized in the appendix section are not characterized because a review of the Chicago files fails to reflect sufficient information to prepare a suitable subversive characterization.

ANNE THURESON and Reverend JOHN HUDSON, mentioned in the letterhead memorandum, are not subversively characterized inasmuch as a review of the files of the Chicago Office fails to reflect subversive information from which an appropriate characterization could be prepared. The letterhead memorandum has been classified confidential inasmuch as information contained therein was received from confidential sources of continuing value and the disclosure of this information might prove prejudicial to the internal security of the country.

The Chicago Division will continue to follow the activities of this organization and all demonstrations, and submit appropriate communication for the Bureau's information.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Chicago, Illinois
MAY 20, 1965

CONFIDENTIAL

Demonstrations Protesting
United States Intervention
in Viet Nam
Information Concerning
Internal Security

On May 18, 1965, a source advised that it was learned that a meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee to End War in Viet Nam met at the office of the American Friends Service Committee, 431 South Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois, on May 17, 1965. It was learned that the following individuals in attendance at this meeting represented the respective organizations:

Anne Thureson
Students for a Democratic Society

Henry Weinberg
Voters for Peace

Shirley Lens
Women for Peace

Reverend John Hudson
Fellowship of Reconciliation, and an
individual representing the
Women's International League for
Peace and Freedom.

Discussion at this meeting concerned itself with establishment of a permanent coordinating peace committee made up of representation from all peace organizations in the Chicago area.

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It was decided that the individuals present would split up the list of all peace organizations and contact them in an effort to mobilize support for a meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee to End War in Viet Nam to be held June 2, 1965, for the purpose of discussing the possibility of organizing a permanent coordinating committee of peace organizations.

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Characterizations of the W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs of Chicago and the W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs of America are attached hereto.

Henry Weinberg, representing the Voters for Peace, stated that on May 5, 1965, a meeting had been held with officials from the Church Federation of Greater Chicago for the purpose of discussing a proposed "Fast for Peace." Weinberg indicated that only a couple of people attended the meeting and the "Fast for Peace" had been called off because of lack of interest.

It was also learned that announcement was made at the meeting that the Chicago Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy had collected $250 to help pay the expenses of publishing a half page or full page advertisement in one of the Chicago daily newspapers which was to be prepared by members of the Ad Hoc Committee and would tie in United States policy in Viet Nam and the Dominican Republic. Reverend John Rudson stated that he had in fact prepared the advertisement, but they had insufficient funds to pay for its publication at the present

time. Hudson urged that additional funds be collected in this regard.

No discussion was held relative to the forthcoming protest demonstration to be held May 21, 1965, at the United States Federal Court House under the auspicies of the Ad Hoc Chicago Committee for Action Against War in Viet Nam at which time students and other individuals from the Chicago area would participate in a civil disobedience sit-in in the United States District Court House lobby.

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Shirley Lens

A third source advised on April 28, 1958, that as of 1958 the names of Shirley Lens and her husband, Sidney Lens, were in possession of the Chicago Independent Socialist League.

A characterization of the Independent Socialist League is attached hereto.

Sidney Lens

Edward Hugo Oehler, a self-admitted former member of the Communist Party (CP), USA, and self-admitted

former National Secretary of the Revolutionary Workers League, advised on January 14, 1958, that Sidney Lens, known to him as Sidney Okun, was a card carrying member of the Revolutionary Workers League in the middle 1930's in Chicago and later became National Secretary of that organization.

The Revolutionary Workers League has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE,
Formerly Workers Party

The May 4, 1942, issue of "Labor Action," then an official publication of the Workers Party (WP), carried an article which reflected that the WP was formed in April, 1940, as a result of a split within the leadership of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). The article stated that when the Hitler-Stalin Pact was signed and Poland invaded, the minority group within the SWP, in proclaiming the formation of the WP, condemned the pact as being imperialistic in nature and stated it would not support either imperialist camp.

The April 25, 1949, issue of "Labor Action" contained an account of the Fifth National Convention of the WP, held March 24-27, 1949, in New York City, which reflected the change of name of the organization from the WP to the Independent Socialist League (ISL) in order to emphasize the character of the group as a propaganda group for the spreading of socialist ideas and not as a full-fledged political party.

The July 14, 1958, issue of "Labor Action," an official publication of the ISL, contained an article captioned "The ISL Program in Brief." The article indicated: "The ISL stands for socialist democracy and against the two systems of exploitation which now divide the world: capitalism and Stalinism. The ISL, as a Marxist movement, looks to the working class and its ever-present struggle as the basic progressive in the labor movement and among all other sections of the people. There can be no lasting and genuine democracy without socialism and there can be no socialism without democracy."

The September 22, 1958, issue of "Labor Action" contained an undated statement signed by the Political Committee of the ISL which indicated that the ISL had been dissolved. The statement urged former ISL members to join the Socialist Party-Social Democratic Federation (SP-SDF).

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INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE,
Formerly Workers Party

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A source advised on October 10, 1958, that the Chicago Branch of the ISL, which was an affiliate of the national organization, was dissolved in September, 1958, and all active members joined the SP-SDF on October 9, 1958.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA

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A second source has advised that the founding convention for the new youth organization was held from June 19-21, 1964, at 154 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California, at which time the name W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs of America was adopted. Approximately 500 delegates from throughout the United States attended this convention. The aims of this organization, as set forth in the preamble to the constituion, are, "It is our belief that this nation can best solve its problems in an atmosphere of peaceful coexistence, complete disarmament and true freedom for all peoples of the world, and that these solutions will be reached mainly through the united efforts of all democratic elements in our country, composed essentially of the working people allied in the unity of Negroes and other minorities with whites. We further fully recognize that the greatest threat to American democracy comes from the racist and right wing forces in coalition with the most reactionary sections of the economic power structure, using the tool of anti-communism to divide and destroy the unified struggle of the working people. As young people in the forces struggling for democracy, we shall actively strive to defeat these reactionary and neo-fascist elements and to achieve complete freedom and democracy for all Americans, thus enabling each individual to freely choose and build the society he would wish to live in. Through these struggles we feel the American people will realize the viability of the socialist alternatives."

W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA

The constitution further states that this new organization shall be a membership organization open to individuals, or if five or more people so desire, a chapter can be formed which shall in turn be guided by the policies and principles of the parent organization.

The second source has also advised that at the founding convention it was voted that the organization should be temporarily headquartered in San Francisco, California, although no specific physical location was decided upon. This same source advised on June 29, 1964, that the temporary headquarters of this organization is 1007 McAllister Street, San Francisco, which is the headquarters of the W.E.B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco.

Both sources have advised that at the founding convention two officers were elected:

PHILIP CHAPIN DAVIS, President, and
CARL ELLENGER BLOICE, Publications Chairman

A third source has advised that on October 26, 1962, PHILIP DAVIS attended a CP recruiting class held at 1579 Scenic Avenue, Berkeley, California.

A fourth source has advised that CARL BLOICE, reporter for the "People's World" newspaper, was, on April 3, 1964, elected to the newly organized San Francisco County Committee of the CP.

The "People's World" is a West Coast communist newspaper published weekly in San Francisco, California.

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W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS
OF CHICAGO (DCC)

On July 1, 1964, a source advised that on June 30, 1964, a group of young people who had attended the founding convention of the W.E.B. DuBois Clubs of America (DCA) met in Chicago and adopted a statement of purpose and constitution forming the DCC as an affiliate of the National DCA.

Elected as its officers were THEODORE PEARSON, President, and DON WEATHERALL, Vice President, both of whom are members of the Youth Club of the Communist Party (CP) of Illinois.

The DCC does not have a headquarters in Chicago and is currently utilizing the address of its President, 1808 North Cleveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as a temporary headquarters.

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CHICAGO COMMITTEE TO DEFEND DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS, Formerly known as Chicago Joint Defense Committee to Defeat the Smith Act

A source advised on April 15, 1958, that the Chicago Joint Defense Committee to Defeat the Smith Act (CJDC) was formed by the Communist Party (CP) in March, 1956.

A second source advised on July 17, 1958, that at a working conference of the CJDC held on June 8, 1958, at Chicago, Illinois, the name of the CJDC was changed to the Chicago Committee to Defend Democratic Rights (CCDDR). The purpose of the CCDDR, according to its "Statement of Principles and Organization" was to "...defend and extend the human rights embodied in the Bill of Rights...and to put an end to the political and racial persecutions which threaten American democracy today."

The second source further advised on May 18, 1960, that as of May, 1960, the CCDDR continued to function within the framework of its stated principles and that in accordance with its "Statement of Principles and Organization" had a number of "Working Committees" which included the Chicago Smith Act Families Committee, South Side Freedom Committee, and Taft-Hartley Working Committee. The source further stated that as of May, 1960, RICHARD CRILEY was serving as the Executive Secretary of the CCDDR.

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RICHARD CRILEY, according to a third source, was a member of the State Committee, CP of Illinois, as of February, 1961.

APPENDIX

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Chicago, Illinois
MAY 20, 1965

Title	Demonstrations Protesting United States Intervention in Viet Nam
Character	Information Concerning Internal Security
Reference	Letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Belmont
1 - Mohr

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 5-21-65

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

1 - DeLoach
1 - Sullivan
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SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF THE STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

"The Washington Post" issue of 5-20-65 contained an article on page G-7 captioned "'New Left' Group Shifts Home Base to Chicago." This article indicates that the Students for a Democratic Society is moving from its New York Headquarters to a new location in Chicago. It sets forth comments of Clark Kissinger, national secretary of the organization, who was interviewed by a reporter concerning the aims and purposes of the organization.

The Director noted: "1. What do we know of Kissinger? 2. Suggest we prepare memo on the SDS. H."

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Charles Clark Kissinger, Jr.

Kissinger was born in Illinois in 1940 and is a graduate of the University of Chicago. He attended the University of Wisconsin in 1963 - 1964 working toward a doctorate degree. Kissinger first came to our attention in 1963 when his name appeared as a member of the Editorial Board of "Studies on the Left." This is a magazine published by the University of Wisconsin students and which was "dedicated to the leftist point of view." Five members of the Editorial Board had been previously identified as Labor Youth League members and two had been identified as active Communist Party members. Labor Youth has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Kissinger was temporary Chairman of the Wisconsin Socialist Club in 1963. This Club has been under investigation by the Bureau because of the communist affiliations of some of its leaders, among whom is Gene Dennis, son of the former national Communist Party official. Kissinger was also treasurer of the Contemporary Affairs Forum, a University of Wisconsin procommunist organization which sponsored anti-House Committee on Un-American Activities speakers in 1963. He also assisted in the arrangements for the appearance of Herbert Aptheker, Communist Party spokesman, at a Wisconsin campus forum in 1963. He was Secretary-Treasurer of the University of Wisconsin Chapter of the Committee to Aid the Bloomington Students, an organization of the Young Socialist Alliance, the youth group of the Socialist Workers Party, which has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan
Re: COMINFIL OF THE STUDENTS FOR A
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In June, 1964, Kissinger moved to New York City and became secretary for Students for a Democratic Society. Kissinger's name is [redacted] and we are continuing to investigate him and follow his activities as secretary of the Students for a Democratic Society. b7c

Students for a Democratic Society

We are presently conducting an investigation of the Students for a Democratic Society to determine the extent to which the organization has been infiltrated by communists and other subversive elements. The New York Office is the office of origin in this case and the Chicago Office is presently verifying the relocation of the national office from New York to Chicago. The field has been instructed to determine the identity of all local chapters and leaders and to establish informant coverage in this organization.

There is attached a copy of a memorandum dated 4-29-65 which contains background information concerning the Students for a Democratic Society and subversive ramifications of this organization. This memorandum was forwarded to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, by cover letter on 4-29-65 for the information of the President. Pertinent activities of this organization relating to protest demonstrations against United States policy in Vietnam and the Dominican Republic are being included in the summaries which we are sending to the White House, Secretary of State, Secretary of Defense, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency and the Attorney General on a continuing basis.

ACTION:

For the Director's information.

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April 29, 1965

STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

The Students for a Democratic Society, a self-described group of "liberals and radicals," was responsible for organizing the Student March on Washington, D. C., on April 17, 1965, and the "Easter Vigil" at the LBJ Ranch, Johnson City, Texas, on April 17 and 18, 1965, protesting United States Action in Vietnam.

BACKGROUND

This organization is the youth affiliate of the League for Industrial Democracy, the successor to the Inter-Collegiate Socialist Society, which was organized in 1905. The stated purpose of the Inter-Collegiate Socialist Society at the time it was formed was to mobilize college professors, students and graduates to teach socialism and collective ownership to college students, teachers, professional men and communities at large throughout the country. (61-524-84)

The National Office of the Students for a Democratic Society is located at 119 5th Avenue, New York City, and the organization claims a membership of 1,700 members and 44 chapters. Its constitution describes the organization as "an association of young people on the left." The organization seeks to bring together "liberals and radicals" and "feels the urgency to put forth a radical democratic program." (100-439048-101)

A bulletin issued by the Students for a Democratic Society describes the purposes of this organization as follows:

> "1) to develop among students a concern for contemporary social, political and economic problems, looking both to immediate remedial programs and to a broader view of an humane social order where such problems would not exist.

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"2) to build a movement of University reform seeking to establish conditions of academic freedom and internal democracy and to make the academic community a creative and penetrating force confronting the political and moral complexities of our time.

"3) to promote educated participation in movements of civil rights, civil liberties, and peace on the campus and the extension of these movements into the adult community, particularly with the view of coalescing such potentially allied interests as labor, farmer, minority group into a unified progressive force in American politics.

"4) to serve as a democratic initiative against those forces of reaction that would respond to international and domestic challenge with military initiative, pseudo-patriotism, and with an anti-labor, anti-welfare defense of outmoded economic and political privilege."
(100-439048-3)

Communist Party Line

The following examples show instances wherein the line followed by the Students for a Democratic Society parallels the line taken by the Communist Party, USA, on the same issues.

Vietnam

On February 7, 1965, Gus Hall, General Secretary of the Communist Party, USA, issued a press release which demanded all attacks on North Vietnam cease, all American troops be withdrawn from Vietnam and an end to the undeclared war being waged in violation of our constitutional rights. (100-3-69-10300)

On March 5, 1965, the Students for a Democratic Society cosponsored a demonstration in front of the Armed Services Recruiting Station, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, protesting United States action in Vietnam. A leaflet distributed at this demonstration demanded an immediate cease fire in Vietnam and a negotiation to end all intervention in Southeast Asia. (105-138315-200)

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Abolition of "HUAC"

A letter dated November 10, 1964, on stationery of the Students for a Democratic Society stated that "this is the time" to abolish the "HUAC" (House Committee on Un-American Activities) and urged that copies of a pamphlet be circulated on campuses and among friends to urge Congressmen to vote against the "HUAC" on January 4, 1965. (100-439048-101, p. 13, 14)

The abolition of the "HUCA" has long been a cherished goal of the Communist Party, USA. The Party has repeatedly called for the abolition of this Committee in its various publications and statements by its leaders. For example, "The Worker," an east coast communist newspaper, in its December 6, 1964, issue, carried a story which stated, "The time has come to make all laws pertaining to democratic rights and social legislation uniform throughout the land. To move in this direction requires the abolition of the HUAC...." (100-439048-51)

Repeal of McCarran Act

On November 22, 1964, Gus Hall was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Boston Jewish People's Forum, a suspected communist front organization in Boston, Massachusetts. After Hall's talk, Ann Timpson, Financial Secretary of the New England District of the Communist Party, USA, spoke and requested that supporters against the "anti-American McCarran Act" be present at hearings scheduled for Boston in the near future against Party leaders under the Internal Security Act of 1950 (McCarran Act). (100-439048-51)

The December 5, 1964, issue of "The Harvard Crimson," an undergraduate daily newspaper published at Cambridge, Massachusetts, contained an article wherein the Students for a Democratic Society urged students to attend the hearings scheduled to be held in Boston in the near future to call attention to the need for the repeal of the McCarran Act. (100-439048-51)

Subversive Affiliations

The Students for a Democratic Society has demonstrated it will render support to or receive support from any organization, subversive or otherwise, which has common goals with the Society. The following information is set forth to show the affiliations of it and two of its principal officers with communist causes.

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During the period February 14 through 18, 1964, the Communist Party, USA, National Youth Commission held a meeting in New York City. On February 20, 1964, a meeting of the Portland Communist Party Youth Club was held in Portland, Oregon. Among the various reports given was one by James Dorland, a member of the Reed College Communist Party Youth Club, on the National Youth Commission meeting which had been held in New York City. Dorland stated that a Larry Gordon spoke at the New York City meeting and it was Gordon's opinion the Party could work through the Students for a Democratic Society and achieve the aims of the Party. Dorland further stated that, as a result of the National Youth Commission meeting, it was decided that in areas where there were strong local chapters of the Students for a Democratic Society the Party youth would endeavor to work through the Society and in areas where there were no local Society chapters the Party youth would form Marxist discussion groups. (100-3-76-1750)

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In January, 1965, two members of the Students for a Democratic Society represented that organization at a membership meeting of the W. E. B. DuBois Club of Chicago which was held in Chicago, Illinois. At this meeting these two individuals stated that they were willing to meet with the DuBois Club people in Chicago to discuss solutions to differences between the two organizations and methods of cooperating on various action projects. (100-439048-67)

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The W. E. B. DuBois Club of Chicago is an affiliate of the W. E. B. DuBois Clubs of America, a Marxist-oriented youth organization which was formed in June, 1964, as a result of a mandate from the Communist Party, USA.

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Vernon Grizzard

As of February 24, 1965, Vernon Grizzard was the Vice President of the Students for a Democratic Society. Grizzard attended both sessions of an Organizers' Conference held in Chicago, Illinois, on December 28 and 29, 1963, for the purpose of forming a "call" to a founding convention to be held in June, 1964, for the formation of a new national Marxist-oriented youth organization. This Conference was attended by 24 persons, both Communist Party and non-Communist Party members. (100-439048-101, p. 12, 13)

Charles Clark Kissinger, Jr.

As of February 24, 1965, Kissinger was the National Secretary of the Students for a Democratic Society. In 1963 he was a student at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, and he made arrangements for the guest appearance of Herbert Aptheker on a panel forum at the University on March 27, 1963. Herbert Aptheker is a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA. (100-439048-101, p. 13)

Activities

The Students for a Democratic Society has consistently called for withdrawal of United States troops from Vietnam and, since the early part of 1965, has stepped up its campaign of attacking United States policy on Vietnam.

Demonstrations Held

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On April 4, 1965, the Students for a Democratic Society announced plans to picket a lecture to be delivered by the Honorable McGeorge Bundy, Special Assistant to the President, on April 5, 1965, at Johns Hopkins University. The picketing took place as scheduled with approximately 50 participants carrying signs protesting United States policy in Vietnam. (105-138315-270)

March on Washington

The largest single demonstration held to date protesting United States action in Vietnam was the Student March on Washington, sponsored by the Students for a Democratic Society, which was held on April 17, 1965. The extreme interest which the Communist Party, USA, exhibited in the March was evidenced by front page articles devoted to this event which appeared in "The Worker." In a directive to all Party districts dated March 31, 1965, the Communist Party, USA's, National Office described the March as the "major point of concentration" in the campaign in the withdrawal of United States forces from Vietnam. The Party districts were told that the main task was to get maximum participation in the March. (BTairtel 4/6/65, "CPUSA, International Relations, IS - C," 100-3-81)

An estimated 15,000 individuals participated in this demonstration, including Communist Party members from throughout the Nation. Arnold Johnson, Communist Party, USA, Public Relations Director, and Michael Sagarell, National Youth Director of the Communist Party, USA, participated in the March and George Meyers, a member of the Party's National Committee, distributed copies of "The Worker" during the March. In New York City 70 Communist Party members or sympathizers were observed boarding buses and trains destined for the March. (WFOairtel & LHM 4/17/65 & NYtels 4/17 & 19/65, re "March on Washington")

At a Communist Party National Committee meeting held April 23 through 25, 1965, Gus Hall reported that the Communist Party and individual communists participated in

the March on Washington and described the March as an "unforgettable event." Michael Zagarell stated at this meeting that "we" played a decisive role in the March and Donald Johnson reported that "our" people were there from all over the country. (NYtels. 4/23, 24 & 25/65, re "CPUSA, Organization ")

"Vigil" at LBJ Ranch

In conjunction with the Student March on Washington the "Easter Vigil" was organized to be held at the LBJ Ranch in Johnson City, Texas, over the Easter weekend. At a Communist Party meeting in San Antonio, Texas, prior to the vigil, a local Communist Party leader emphasized the importance of this action and urged Communist Party members in attendance to get people to join the vigil. Approximately 45 individuals participated in this vigil which took place on April 17 and 18, 1965. Included among the participants were individuals who have been identified as past or present members of the Communist Party. (SAairtel & LHM 4/5/65 re "Demonstrations," SAairtel and LHM 4/23/65 re "Easter Vigil")

Future Plans

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The original was sent to the Honorable Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, by cover letter dated 4/29/65.

NOTE: See cover memorandum Mr. Baumgardner to Mr. Sullivan, dated 4/29/65, same caption, prepared by CWT:pch. Classified "Confidential" inasmuch as it contains information from confidential informants of continuing value and the unauthorized disclosure of this information could compromise these informants and jeopardize the future effectiveness thereof.

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'New Left' Group Shifts Home Base to Chicago

By Raymond R. Coffey
Chicago Daily News Service

CHICAGO—Chicago has become the national headquarters this week of what is widely regarded as the largest, most influential, most intellectual and most idealistic of the organizations in the political movement called "the New Left."

Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) moved from a loft on lower Fifth Avenue in New York to quarters at 1103 E. 63d St. in Chicago's Woodlawn area, on the South Side.

In a manifesto drawn at its founding convention in Port Huron, Mich., in 1962, SDS said its goal is "the establishment of a democracy of individual participation governed by two central aims: that the individual share in those social decisions determining the quality and direction of his life; that society be organized to encourage independence in men and provide the media for their common participation . . ."

Before leaving New York, Clark Kissinger, 24, the former mathematics scholar who is national secretary of SDS, talked with a reporter about what all this means.

First of all, to answer the question that Kissinger said outsiders always ask, he said SDS is not Communist.

The organization has been assailed and termed "naive" because it did not bar Communist groups from participating in its recent march on Wash-

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ington to protest U.S. actions in Viet-Nam.

It also has been criticized for taking positions that happen to coincide with Communist purposes and for not being vocally anti-Communist.

Kissinger explained that "one of the things we are trying to do is smash the vestiges of McCarthyism—so we try not to be too sensitive about being linked" with Communists.

Actually, he said, there is "virtually no contact" between SDS and the Progressive Labor Party or other Communist outfits.

SDS membership, he said, is on a "personal honesty basis" with people asked only if they subscribe to SDS thinking and not if they are Communists.

Communist groups, he said, "want a Marxist social organization. We don't. We want to organize a democratic society from the grass roots up."

SDS believes old-line liberalism has degenerated into welfare statism, that the radicals of yesteryear have become part of the social "establishment," and that it must develop new forms and work with new forces—primarily, it appears, the poor.

Asked what made the "new left" new, Kissinger replied that it is new "not only in the sense that we haven't had a life in America for 10 or 15 years, but also in that it is not part of an international movement" such as communism. It is home-grown.

It is also not the kind of "rigid ideological" movement that characterized the left of the 1930s, he said.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 4-30-65

Previous information has been received indicating that the Students for a Democratic Society, a socialist oriented youth group plans to stage a massive civil disobedience campaign throughout the country 5-3 through 5-8/65 to protest U.S. action in Vietnam.

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REGARDING PLANNED CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE, MAY THREE-EIGHT SIXTYFIVE, BY SDS. THE BSS, NYCPD, ADVISED THAT, AS OF THREE PM, FOUR THIRTY SIXTY-FIVE, THEY HAVE HAD NO REQUESTS FROM SDS FOR ANY DEMONSTRATION DURING MAY THREE-EIGHT SIXTYFIVE.

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